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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant(s):** Erling R. Anderson, et al.  
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**Title:** METHODS AND APPARATUS  
FOR AUTOMATION OF THE  
TESTING AND MEASUREMENT  
OF OPTICAL FIBER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Group Art Unit: 2877  
Examiner: TBA

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Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the proposed Preliminary Amendment for consideration and entry into the above-referenced application.

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Application No. WO 00/40495, filed December 14, 1999, --.

**REMARKS**

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If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, he is hereby earnestly solicited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number or address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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